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MT 1234.
The Best Belongs to us! "IT'S GREAT TO BE A CHRISTIAN?" *The Best Home?? Christian!*
BECAUSE OF: THE JOY IN THE CHRISTIAN HOME !!

INT: God's **expectation** of YOUR home: That it will supply MOST of man's needs---necessary to his preparation ~~for~~ Heaven. (MAN: generic=humans.)

Man's RELIGION begins in the Home. *FIRST: Church, Restaurant, School, Hospital, etc.*
It is transferred to God, Christ, Bible, *church*

*GOING TO HEAVEN IS MAN'S No. One priority in life. All else should contribute to it!!!

Here: Briefly. There: forever!
PUZZLE: A philosophical dichotomy (2 parts).

1. Matt. 6:33. Kingdom first.
2. HOME is the most crucial area in life.
Illus.: WORK, PLAY, LOVE, WORSHIP.
Church built the home!

DEDUCTION: God's Christian Home includes two ideal elements:

1. The IDEAL Spirit, Attitude, Motivation:
2. The IDEAL Role-playing of each member.

NOTE: We are not in doubt regarding the spirit the true Christian has: *MATT. 11:28-30.

Premier Motivation!
II. GOD GIVES THE PATTERN. MAN DECIDES HOW CLOSELY HE WILL FOLLOW IT. * Col. 3:16-25.

Possible? Last! not good husband! Supreme Motivation!
A. WIVES. V.18. SUBMIT TO YOUR HUSBAND.

Assume a SUPPORTIVE---not INFERIOR---role.
2nd-place LEADER. *Eph. 5:22-24.

FIRST GOAL: Please Jesus. Husband gets the super treatment...service....cooperation

Caution: LADIES...because you go under the HEADSHIP of your husband MUST..... choose carefully. Take time. Wise !!!!

Last! not good husband!
B. HUSBANDS. V. 19. DO THE BEST FOR WIVES!
Love is: giving & doing. John 3:16.
Expect to be PATIENT with her.*Eph.5:25-28.
Man HELPS MAKE the kind of bride he has!!!
CHRIST WAS CRUCIFIED FOR HIS? YOU.....?

Last! not cooperative!
C. CHILDREN. V. 20. OBEY! (Love. I John 5:3)
WHY? FIRST: to please Jesus.
Other benefits: * Eph. 6:1-3. CAN MISS HEAVEN!!!

Look! Poor Father!

D. V. 21. **FATHERS.** REMEMBER!!!

Most of you were ONCE young, ignorant, impulsive & foolish in some ways!!! Head-strong!

*Eph. 6:4. LOVE is "inferred" in his concern for his offspring's Spr. welfare.

Dad's limit: loving, common sense, firmness.

Not ~~force~~? Christ-like attitude. Ph.2:5.

Look! Sorry employee!

E. **EMPLOYEES** (Servants, slaves) V. 22.

GOAL: To please Jesus! Acts 2:38. Changed ????

v. 23. REPLACE boss with Jesus. Real "boss."

v. 24. Christ's approval first priority.

v. 25. Sub-standard performance **INSULTS JESUS!**

INV: How to **KNOW** if YOUR home is a GREAT Christian home

1. Jesus feel PERFECTLY **welcome** if appeared.

2. Jesus **APPROVE** of the way you speak to one another.....treat each ~~other~~!!!!!!

3. If planned to spend a MONTH, **CHOOSE YOUR HOME!!!!**



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It's Great To Be a Christian! #1,234
"Focus + Balance" #10

The Joy in the Christian Home. ①

Int. ^{Col. 3:18-25}

God's expectation for the home is that it will supply ~~many~~ needs of man necessary to his preparation for Heaven.

Man's rel. begins there!

Going to heaven is man's #1 priority in this life??

He needs all the help he can get!

I God's Plan for Man's home includes the ideal elements of:

1. a high-level spiritual attitude &
2. ideal role-performance on the part of every member in it.

note: We are not in doubt of the spr. attitude man should have nor the correct role he should play! Ⓢ Matt. 11:28-30. One decision. Governs life's level.

Conc. The course we follow then is determined by our decision to follow the guidance of God or Satan. Ⓢ Rom. 6:16-18.

II God gives the Christian Pattern = man decides to what extent he will follow it. Col. 3:16-25. 16-17. (2.)

V. 18. A. Wives - submit to your husbands. Assume a "supportive" role, not inferior, but supportive. 2nd-place leader. Eph. 5:22-24. as unto the Lord. Primary goal is to please Christ.

Because of the husbands' headship, our Chr. young ladies (and men)

1. Should be most careful in selecting a life-time mate.
2. Should date long enough to "REALLY" know the other person.
3. If - get less than the ideal it is because YOU settled for less.

V. 19. B. Husbands - Love your wives and expect to be patient with their different ways. Eph. 5:25-28. Man helps make the kind of bride he has. "as Christ loved..."

V. 20. C. Children - Obey (Love I John 5:3) Parents. Why? It pleases the Lord! First goal: To please the Lord. Eph. 6:1-3. Other benefits. Note: children can miss heaven because they do not please Christ.

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V. 21. D. Fathers - Remember you were young, ignorant, impulsive and head strong ONCE too.

● Eph. 6:3. Father's limit is his firm - loving influence = not force. His attitude is Christ-like? Phil. 2:5.

V. 22 E. Servants - Employees. - Your goal is to please Jesus?
V. 23. Replace your boss with Jesus - ^{your real} boss.
V. 24. Your life + service are to Jesus first + foremost.

V. 25: Warning! Rebellion, sin or sub-standard performances will bring their punishments.

Ins. Its great to live in a Christian Home.
Jesus would feel welcome there.
Jesus would feel comfortable there.
Jesus IS a silent - invisible guest in the Chr. Home.

How are we doing?

Live in Chr. home?

Helping make it one? not if not a Chr. acts 2:38.

Want to make a greater spiritual contribution to yours?